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STATE OF LOUISIANA
SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

LOCATION: STATE OF LOUISIANA

MONTH OF: FEBRUARY 1981

LEGALLY REPORTABLE ACCIDENTS ARE THOSE INVOLVING DEATH, BODILY INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100.00) OR MORE IN THE ACCIDENT.

ACCIDENTS OCCURRING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT.

THIS SUMMARY INCLUDES REPORTS AND INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON: 03/20/81

I. MILEAGE RATES	THIS YEAR TO DATE	LAST YEAR SAME PERIOD	PERCENT CHANGE
A. Motor Vehicle Traffic Deaths	147	151	2.60-
B. Estimated Motor Vehicle Mileage Traveled (Millions)	3660.78	3656.03	.10
C. Death Rate Per 100,000,000 Vehicle–Miles	4.02	4.13	2.60-
D. Fatal Accident Rate Per 100,000,000 Vehicle–Miles			
E.			
F.			

II. TYPE OF ACCIDENT		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				TOTAL KILLED	NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED			
		Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage		Total	A Severe Injury	B Noticeable Injury	C Complaint of Injury
MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION WITH:	A. Ran Off Road	1702	21	587	1094	21	776	45	418	313
	B. Overturned on Road	35	1	27	7	1	32	2	15	15
	C. Pedestrian	140	5	134	1	5	144	22	81	41
	D. Motor Vehicle in Traffic	7375	24	2367	4984	33	4093	91	1039	2963
	E. Parked Motor Vehicle	853		82	771		120	7	56	57
	F. Railroad Train	22	1	8	13	1	11	3	5	3
	G. Bicyclist	52		45	7		46	2	22	22
	H. Animal	100		16	84		20		4	16
	I. Fixed Object	308	3	127	178	3	171	8	84	79
	J. Other Object	28		9	19		12	1	7	4
	K. Other Non-Collision	39		12	27		13		7	6
	TOTALS	10654	55	3414	7185	64	5438	181	1738	3519

NOTE: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim to be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

III. COMPARATIVE TOTALS (Type of Accident)		SAME MONTH LAST YEAR			THIS YEAR TO DATE			SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR			CHANGE CUMULATIVE DEATH RECORD
		All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	
MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION WITH:	A. Ran Off Road	1512	20	880	3513	51	1774	3068	43	1653	18.60 %
	B. Overturned on Road	45	1	34	76	2	56	90	3	78	33.30- %
	C. Pedestrian	181	5	187	268	12	276	360	19	359	36.80- %
	D. Motor Vehicle in Traffic	9019	34	4361	14992	69	8466	18273	74	8767	6.70- %
	E. Parked Motor Vehicle	1321	1	164	1762		254	2579	1	310	%
	F. Railroad Train	31	2	27	55	5	31	65	3	54	66.60 %
	G. Bicyclist	64	2	57	104	1	94	144	4	123	75.00- %
	H. Animal	85	1	15	223		40	208	1	33	%
	I. Fixed Object	512	1	238	653	6	340	1042	3	460	100.00 %
	J. Other Object	34		11	55		17	66		31	%
	K. Other Non-Collision	45		19	69	1	21	106		46	%
	TOTALS	12849	67	5993	21770	147	11369	26001	151	11914	2.60- %

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IV. LOCATION			A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State, Parishes, Cities, Towns, Villages, Etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, Parkway, Military, Freeway Authorities and Commissions, Etc.					
			NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				NUMBER OF PERSONS		NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS				NUMBER OF PERSONS	
			TOTAL	FATAL	NON-FATAL	PROPERTY DAMAGE	KILLED	INJURED	TOTAL	FATAL	NON-FATAL	PROPERTY DAMAGE	KILLED	INJURED
URBAN (ALL INCORPORATED PLACES OF 2500 OR OVER PLUS AND ALL AREAS CLASSIFIED AS URBANIZED AREAS FOLLOWED IN 1970 CENSUS)	A.	2,500 to 5,000	132		39	93		61						
	B.	5,000 to 10,000	413	1	105	307	1	165						
	C.	10,000 to 25,000	911	2	230	679	2	361	10			10		
	D.	25,000 to 50,000	928	1	247	680	1	361						
	E.	50,000 to 100,000	1096	1	273	822	1	419						
	F.	100,000 to 250,000	1759		435	1324		678	9		1	8		1
	G.	250,000 or More	816	2	490	324	3	823	50		30	20		50
		TOTAL URBAN	6055	7	1819	4229	8	2868	69		31	38		51
RURAL (ALL LOCATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE ABOVE)	A.	Interstate Routes	276	4	93	179	7	152						
	B.	Other U.S. Routes	930	11	351	568	15	623						
	C.	State Routes	1862	25	708	1129	26	1141	2		1	1		4
	D.	Parish Routes	1378	8	400	970	8	586	22		5	17		5
	E.	Toll Roads--Bridges	1		1			1	4		2	2		4
	F.	Local Roads & Strts.	14		3	11		3						
	G.	Not Stated	41			41								
		TOTAL RURAL	4502	48	1556	2898	56	2506	28		8	20		13
		TOTAL URBAN & RURAL	10557	55	3375	7127	64	5374	97		39	58		64

V. TIME		Hour Beginning	TOTAL		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURDSAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
			ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL	ALL	FATAL
BEFORE NOON	A.	Midnight	304		25		24		24		30		35		66		100	
	B.	1:00	248	3	15		21	1	15	1	21		15	1	58		103	
	C.	2:00	289	3	18	1	19		15		27	1	34		79	1	97	
	D.	3:00	171	2	15		5		13		14		10		59	1	55	1
	E.	4:00	141	4	13		7		11	1	7		9	2	49	1	45	
	F.	5:00	157	3	15		16		13	1	16		17		37	2	43	
	G.	6:00	244	3	27		37		40		41	1	38	1	34	1	27	
	H.	7:00	542	1	102		136		79		97		76		22	1	30	
	I.	8:00	505		111		88		92		80		81		38		15	
	J.	9:00	390	2	67		77		45		73	1	57		41	1	30	
	K.	10:00	476		76		87		69		75		66		66		37	
	L.	11:00	526	2	91	2	99		61		88		72		72		43	
AFTERNOON	M.	Noon	584	1	100		84		73		98	1	102		62		65	
	N.	1:00	561	1	85		79		62		81		84		91		79	1
	O.	2:00	597	1	87	1	85		61		111		91		92		70	
	P.	3:00	788	3	110	1	125		99	1	131		134		103		86	1
	Q.	4:00	830	3	121		101		111		142	2	168	1	107		80	
	R.	5:00	782	5	108	2	118		110		116	1	136		98	1	96	1
	S.	6:00	552	2	69		54		50		89	1	109	1	101		80	
	T.	7:00	485	2	50		64		48		65		97	1	93	1	68	
	U.	8:00	417	3	42		49		34		58	1	79		89	2	66	
	V.	9:00	375	5	39		39	1	43	1	48		80	2	88	1	38	
	W.	10:00	347	3	43	1	28		36		53		68	2	89		30	
	X.	11:00	343	3	27		24		37	2	30		81	1	110		34	
	Y.	Not Stated																
		TOTALS	10654	55	1456	8	1466	2	1241	7	1591	9	1739	12	1744	13	1417	4

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VI. AGE OF CASUALTY	NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED									NUMBER OF PERSONS INJURED								
	TOTAL KILLED			PEDESTRIANS			BICYCLISTS			TOTAL INJURED			PEDESTRIANS			BICYCLISTS		
	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
A. 0 to 4	2		2							194	103	91	12	10	2			
B. 5 to 9										201	90	111	36	22	14	6	6	
C. 10 to 14										163	78	85	11	6	5	10	8	2
D. 15 to 19	5	5		2	2					964	520	444	21	14	7	10	8	2
E. 20 to 24	20	16	4	1	1					1062	629	433	17	9	8	7	5	2
F. 25 to 34	14	9	5	1	1					1300	762	538	25	18	7	6	5	1
G. 35 to 44	4	4								597	324	273	8	6	2	3	3	
H. 45 to 54	1		1							403	195	208	7	5	2	1	1	
I. 55 to 64	7	4	3							300	165	135	10	7	3			
J. 65 to 74	8	7	1	1	1					163	81	82	6	3	3	1	1	
K. 75 & Older	2	2								68	34	34	2	1	1			
L. Not Stated	1	1								23	10	13						
TOTALS	64	48	16	5	5					5438	2991	2447	155	101	54	44	37	7

VII. AGE OF DRIVER	MALE	FEMALE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. 14 and Younger*	11	5	16		5
B. 15	131	75	206	1	78
C. 16	287	141	428	2	142
D. 17	442	214	656	1	211
E. 18	582	220	802	2	275
F. 19	571	267	838	5	273
G. 20 to 24	2524	1126	3650	27	1261
H. 25 to 34	3193	1563	4756	21	1669
I. 35 to 44	1549	817	2366	13	799
J. 45 to 54	1123	502	1625	6	568
K. 55 to 64	835	354	1189	8	400
L. 65 to 74	432	198	630	8	211
M. 75 & Older	177	69	246	2	89
N. Not Stated	73	19	92	1	29
TOTALS	11930	5570	17500	97	6010

*Unlicensed Drivers

VIII. TYPE OF VEHICLE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Passenger Car	13879	53	4580
B. Passenger Car and Trailer	13		5
C. Truck or Truck Tractor	3913	26	1188
D. Truck Tractor, Semitrailer or Trailer	508	10	134
E. Other Truck Combination	66	1	16
F. Farm Tractor and/or Farm Equipment	4	1	
G. Taxicab	87		42
H. Bus	64		24
I. School Bus	80		20
J. Motorcycle	145	5	108
K. Motor Scooter/Motor Bicycle	6		5
L. Bicycle	52		45
TOTALS	18817	96	6167
SPECIAL VEHICLES INCLUDED ABOVE			
M. Emergency (Including Privately Own)	125		54
N. Military Vehicles			
O. Other Publicly Owned Vehicles	152		85
P. Others and Not Stated	988	3	134

IX. CONDITION OF DRIVER AND PEDESTRIANS	CONDITION OF PEDESTRIANS			CONDITION OF DRIVER		
	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Apparently Asleep				87	1	47
B. Inattentive or Distracted	29		29	3828	11	1172
C. Illness	1		1	13		9
D. Eyesight Defect	1		1	16		5
E. Fainting, Blackout, Etc.				17	1	16
F. Hearing Defect				5		3
G. Fatigued				13	1	5
H. Other Body Defects				14		8
I. Had Been Drinking	20	1	19	1319	24	668
J. Condition Unknown	28	4	24	797	19	267
K. Normal	82	1	81	11391	40	3810
TOTALS	161	6	155	17500	97	6010

X. CONDITION OF VEHICLE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Defective Brakes	149		49
B. Defective Headlights	12		7
C. Defective Rear Lights	33		12
D. Defective Signal Lights	12		5
E. All Lights Out	9		5
F. Defective Steering	20		4
G. Tire Failure	45		18
H. Worn or Smooth Tires	91	5	40
I. Engine Failure	49		13
J. No Defects Observed	19267	89	6132
K. Other Defects	395	5	117
TOTALS	20082	99	6400

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XI. ROAD SURFACE	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Dry	7618	45	2482
B. Wet	2981	9	919
C. Muddy	20		3
D. Snow	21		8
E. Other	14	1	2
TOTALS	10654	55	3414
A. Concrete	3390	11	945
B. Blacktop	7077	44	2433
C. Brick	20		3
D. Gravel	84		20
E. Dirt	25		5
F. Other	58		8
TOTALS	10654	55	3414

XII. ALIGNMENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Straight–Level	8967	38	2822
B. Curve–Level	779	8	284
C. On Grade–Straight	433	2	145
D. On Grade–Curve	202	1	90
E. Hillcrest–Straight	118	1	41
F. Hillcrest–Curve	23	3	8
G. Dip, Hump–Straight	40	2	8
H. Dip, Hump–Curve	7		3
I. Other	85		13
TOTALS	10654	55	3414

XIII. WEATHER CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Clear	7640	27	1796
B. Cloudy	2626	17	860
C. Raining	1994	9	600
D. Snow/Sleet	19	1	6
E. Fog	368	6	150
F. Smoke	2		1
G. Dust	5		1
TOTALS	10654	55	3414

XIV. ROADWAY CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Defective Shoulder	164	6	58
B. Holes	54		10
C. Deep Ruts	12		1
D. Bumps	70		15
E. Loose Surface Material	91		26
F. Construction, Repair	98		33
G. Overhead Clearance Limited	1		1
H. Construction–No Warning	5		1
I. Previous Accident	9		5
J. Flooding	16		6
K. Water on Roadway	538	2	186
L. Orthogonal Fault in Road Surface	11		2
M. Parallel Fault in Road Surface	3		1
N. Other Defects	89		32
O. No Defects	9493	47	3037
TOTALS	10654	55	3414

XV. TRAFFIC CONTROL	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Stop Sign	1782	2	592
B. Yield Sign	268	1	80
C. Red Signal On	1260	1	475
D. Yellow Signal On	106		32
E. Green Signal On	1332	1	426
F. Green Turn Arrow On	68		16
G. Right Turn on Red	10		6
H. Light Phase Unknown	282	1	128
I. Flashing Yellow	125		55
J. Flashing Red	66		28
K. Officer–Watchman	45		16
L. R.R. Crossing Sign	42	3	14
M. R.R. Crossing Signal	22		8
N. R.R. Crossing No Control	6		4
O. Warning Sign (School, Etc.)	166	2	71
P. School Flashing Speed Sign	16		1
Q. Yellow No Passing Line	2145	17	822
R. White Dashed Line	5568	63	1936
S. No Control	5862	7	1425
T. Other	911	1	285
TOTALS	20082	99	6400

XVI. LIGHT CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Daylight	6494	17	1884
B. Dark–No Street Lights	1084	20	487
C. Dusk or Dawn	358	3	130
D. Dark–Continuous Street Light	2160	10	722
E. Dark–Lights at Intersection Only	558	5	191
TOTALS	10654	55	3414

XVII. TRAFFIC CONTROL CONDITIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Controls Functioning	19919	98	6341
B. Controls Not Functioning	59	1	29
C. Control Obscured	38		14
D. Lane Marking Unclear or Defective	66		16
TOTALS	20082	99	6400

XVIII. TYPE OF ROADWAY	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. One-Way Road or Street	870	1	269
B. Two-Way Undivided Road or Street	6301	40	1943
C. Expressway	486	5	173
D. Other Divided Road or Street	2404	9	871
E. Other	593		158
TOTALS	10654	55	3414

XIX. KIND OF LOCATION	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Manufacturing or Industrial	243	1	71
B. Business Continuous	3218	2	886
C. Business, Mixed Residential	2804	7	952
D. Residential District	2154	9	599
E. Residential Scattered	742	11	323
F. School or Playground	172	1	33
G. Open Country	1059	24	444
H. Other	262		106
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XX.		ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. VIOLATIONS	A. Exceeding Stated Speed	93	5	54
	B. Exceeding Safe Speed	226	5	93
	C. Failure to Yield	2131	5	719
	D. Following Too Closely	1005	1	343
	E. Driving Left of Center	181	9	61
	F. Cutting In, Improper Passing	198	2	42
	G. Failure to Signal	23		2
	H. Made Wide Right Turn	51		5
	I. Cut Corner on Left Turn	32		2
	J. Turned from Wrong Lane	158		30
	K. Other Improper Turning	213	1	49
	L. Disregarded Traffic Control	357	3	155
	M. Improper Starting	25		
	N. Improper Parking	52		13
	O. Failure to Set Out Flags, Flares	6	1	2
	P. Failure to Dim Headlights	6		
	Q. Vehicle Condition	160		51
	R. Driver Condition	614	8	327
	S. Other Violations (Hazardous)	5438	20	1531
	T. No Violation	9113	39	2921
	TOTALS	20082	99	6400

B. CONTRIBUTING FACTOR	A. Violations	9141	30	2650
	B. Movement Prior to Accident	183		50
	C. Vision Obscurements			
	D. Conditions of Drivers/Pedestrians	1225	24	625
	E. Pedestrian Actions	77		77
	F. Vehicle Conditions			
	G. Road Surface	5		2
	H. Roadway Condition	19		8
	I. Lighting			
	J. Weather	3	1	1
	K. Traffic Control	1		1
	L. Kind of Location			
	TOTALS	10654	55	3414

C. VISION OBSCUREMENTS	A. Rain, Snow, Etc. on Windshield	2183	4	699
	B. Windshield Otherwise Obscured	25		8
	C. Vision Obscured by Load	43		2
	D. Trees, Bushes, Etc.	64		20
	E. Building	19		6
	F. Embankment	3		2
	G. Sign Boards	11		1
	H. Hillcrest	57	2	27
	I. Parked Vehicles	265	1	91
	J. Moving Vehicles	328		100
	K. Blinded By Headlights	40		13
	L. Blinded By Sun Glare	58		21
	M. Distracted by Neon Lights in Field of View	2		
	N. Other Obscurements	422	20	132
	O. No Obscurements	16562	72	5278
	TOTALS	20082	99	6400

XXI. NUMBER OF VEHICLES INVOLVED	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. One Vehicle Collision	143	3	140
B. One Vehicle Collision (Excluding Pedestrians)	1837	25	711
C. Two Vehicle Collision	8031	21	2207
D. Three Vehicle Collision	562	3	305
E. Four or More Vehicle Collision	81	3	51
TOTALS	10654	55	3414

XXII. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	INJURY ACCIDENTS
A. Crossing, Entering, Roadway at Intersection	36		36
B. Crossing, Entering, Roadway not at Intersection	60	2	58
C. Walking in Roadway–with Traffic	5		5
D. Walking in Roadway–against Traffic	1	1	
E. Sleeping in Roadway			
F. Standing in Roadway	7		7
G. Getting On or Off Other Vehicle	2		2
H. Pushing, Working on Vehicle in Roadway	2	2	
I. Other Working in Roadway	4		4
J. Playing in Roadway	5		5
K. Other in Roadway	22	1	21
L. Not in Roadway	17		17
TOTALS	161	6	155

XXIII. EJECTION		FATAL	A SEVERE INJURY	B NOTICEABLE INJURY	C COMPLAINT OF INJURY
A. DRIVERS	A. Not Ejected	28	75	966	1955
	B. Partially Ejected	4	4	27	25
	C. Totally Ejected	7	8	30	10
	D. Unknown if Ejected	1	3	7	6
	E. Wearing Helmet	1	5	23	11
	F. Not Wearing Helmet	2	4	39	17
B. OCCUPANTS	A. Not Ejected	12	47	499	1397
	B. Partially Ejected	1	2	10	10
	C. Totally Ejected	1	2	14	9
	D. Unknown if Ejected		1	1	7
	E. Wearing Helmet		2	4	4
	F. Not Wearing Helmet	2	2	10	3

XXIV. SAFETY EQUIPMENT		FATAL	A SEVERE INJURY	B NOTICEABLE INJURY	C COMPLAINT OF INJURY
A. SEAT BELT	A. Not Installed	7	18	136	197
	B. Installed Not in Use	44	121	1295	2807
	C. In Use (Told)	1		61	152
	D. In Use (Observed)				3
	E. Use Unknown	7	16	137	295
	F. Equipment Failed			1	
B. SHDR. HAR.	A. Not Installed	12	25	245	431
	B. Installed Not in Use	39	115	1206	2617
	C. In Use (Told)	1		47	113
	D. In Use (Observed)				3
	E. Use Unknown	7	15	130	290
	F. Equipment Failed			2	

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